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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF TERRENCE J. BOYLAN,
SR.

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Knight, Chippendale, Fogarty,
Kislak, Donovan, J. Lombardi, Corvese, and Tanzi

Date Introduced: February 29, 2024

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Terrence J.
2 Boylan, Sr., the beloved husband of the late Virginia Boylan, who was the “love of his life”, and
3 the devoted father of Terrence Jr. and his wife, our friend and colleague, the Honorable Jennifer
4 Boylan, and the late Christopher Boylan. He was also the very proud grandfather of Terrence III
5 and Tanner; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Boylan, affectionately known as Terry by his family and many friends,
7 was the son of the late James and Virginia Boylan. He spent his youth in Queens, New York
8 City, and began what would become a life filled with dedication to service and leadership; and

9 WHEREAS, Upon graduation from St. John's University Mr. Boylan served our country
10 with honor in the United States Navy, serving as the Weapons Officer aboard the USS Cromwell
11 and USS DeLong; and

12 WHEREAS, During his years at the Naval Station in Newport, Mr. Boylan met and
13 married Virginia Mahoney at the Newport Naval Station Chapel. Their lives together began in
14 Barrington, as he was serving as the Principal of the Henry Barnard School in Providence; and

15 WHEREAS, Eventually, the Boylans moved to Marblehead, Massachusetts, when he
16 became the Principal of the Coffin and Gerry Elementary Schools, a position he held for nearly
17 three decades, and during which, he positively impacted the lives and futures of generations of
18 myriad young people; and

19 WHEREAS, Over the following seventeen years, Mr. Boylan made his home in

1 Barnstable on the Cape, where he put his programing skills to work for CapeAbilities. Upon
2 retiring, he returned to Barrington, to be closer to his son, daughter-in-law, and his grandchildren;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Thoroughly enjoying his life, Mr. Boylan loved photography, teaching, and
5 the joyous tunes of the Bee Gees and Motown. He was also a devoted reader and a critical
6 thinker; and

7 WHEREAS, Terrence Boylan was a remarkable gentleman, who left a legacy of love,
8 service, and spirit, and he is dearly missed by all who had the good fortune to share his
9 remarkable life; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
11 extends deepest condolences and sympathy on the passing of Terrence J. Boylan, Sr.; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Terrence Boylan Jr. and the Honorable Jennifer
15 Boylan and Family.

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